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The reply filed on 24 June 2002 is not fully responsive because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the clean copy of claims as amended is not clean. Claim 1 contains underlining, which precludes the entry of the amendment. 37 CFR 1.121 (c)(1)(i) states that a "rewritten or newly added claim must be in clean form, that is, without markings to indicate the changes that have been made". Since the "clean" copy of claim 1 is the same as the "marked-up" copy of claim 1, it is not clear what changes are being made. See also MPEP 714.20 which indicates that amendments should not be entered in part except under certain circumstances. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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